# Weatherization and Energy Assistance Programs

### **ENERGY SAVING TIPS**

### Simple steps that can save you up to \$500 annually:

- Replace two incandescent light bulbs with ENERGY STAR CFLs.
- Lower your hot water heater's temperature to 120°.
- Use the right size pot on the stove burner.
- Turn off lights, TVs and computers when you're not in the room.
- Replace your old refrigerator with an ENERGY STAR model.
- Install a programmable thermostat, and use it properly.

- Get rid of (or unplug) that old fridge in the garage.
- Wash clothes in cold water.
- Towel-dry your hair instead of using a blow dryer.
- Use the air-dry feature on your dishwasher.
- Use power strips, and turn them off when not in use to reduce "phantom energy usage."

#### Simple things to check at the beginning of each heating season:

- Make sure attic hatches are closed as well as crawl and basement access doors.
- Be sure that all windows are in the fully closed position and that any locks are engaged.
- Make sure that fireplace dampers are closed when not in use.
- Follow up after a visit from an electrician or plumber to make sure insulation was returned to its place and no ducts were disconnected.
- Open heating system registers and move anything covering them, such as carpets or furniture.

### Easy, no-cost things to do:

- Turn your thermostat down when you are away or sleeping.
- Turn water heater temperature down to 120° F.

- Utilize drapes or heavy curtains to your advantage; open them when the sun shines, close them when it doesn't.
- Clean clothes dryer lint traps and dryer outlet pipes; they must exhaust outdoors.
- Air dry dishes instead of using your dishwasher's drying cycle.
- Wash only full loads of dishes and clothes.
- Turn off your computer and monitor when not in use.
- Plug home electronics, such as TVs and DVD players, into power strips; turn the power strips off when the equipment is not in use (TVs and DVDs in standby mode still use several watts of power).
- Look for the ENERGY STAR label on home appliances and products. ENERGY STAR products meet strict efficiency guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy.

### **MORE ENERGY SAVING TIPS**

### Easy, low-cost things to do:

- Clean or replace your furnace filter.
- Convert light bulbs to compact fluorescent; replace bulbs in highest use locations first.
- Seal around penetrations in exterior walls, ceilings, and floor.
- Replace broken or missing outlet covers and switch covers and install child-proof plugs.

### Moderate cost items that may require a contractor:

- Attic air sealing.
- Exterior wall insulation.
- Attic insulation.
- Furnace cleaning and tune-up.
- Duct sealing.

### Moderate cost items for do-it-yourselfers:

- Install a programmable thermostat.
- Install low-flow showerheads and faucet aerators.
- Install a water tank wrap IF you have an older, fiberglass insulated unit.
- Insulate hot water pipes and ducts in unconditioned areas.
- Perform attic air sealing and then add insulation up to R-38.

### **Energy Assistance Program**

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Energy Assistance Program provides financial assistance to low-income households to maintain utility services during the winter heating and summer cooling seasons. The program is implemented through the Community Action Agencies with outreach offices in every county. Heating assistance runs from November 1 to March 15 and cooling assistance runs from June 1 to September 30.

### **Weatherization Assistance Program**

The Weatherization Assistance Program provides comprehensive weatherization services to low-income households. Activities may include, but are not limited to, furnace and water heater health and safety evaluation, repair and replacement; insulation of the attic, sidewalls or other uninsulated areas; and air sealing of the structure. Services are designed to reduce energy consumption and utility costs for heating low-income homes. Anticipated savings for weatherization are 15-25%

### **Energy Assistance Income Guidelines**

To qualify for energy assistance, a household's annual income cannot exceed 150% of the poverty guidelines. A chart describing the current income maximum allowable per household is available on IHCDA's website, at www.ihcda.in.gov.



#### **Area Five Agency on Aging & Community Services**

1801 Smith Street Logansport, IN 46947

Phone: (574) 722-4451 Fax: (574) 722-3447 Serves: Cass. Miami. Howard. Tipton and

Wabash Counties

## Area IV Agency on Aging & Community Action Programs, Inc.

660 N. 36th Street / PO Box 47271 Lafavette, IN 47905

Phone: (765) 447-7683 Fax: (765) 447-6862 Serves: White, Carroll, Tippecanoe and

Clinton Counties

#### **Community Action of East Central Indiana**

1845 W. Main Street / PO Box 1314 Richmond, IN 47374

Phone: (765) 966-7733 Fax: (765) 966-6539 Serves: Wayne, Fayette and Union Counties

(EAP only)

### **Community Action of Greater Indianapolis**

3266 N. Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN 46208

Phone: (317) 396-1800 Fax: (317) 396-1527 Serves: Marion, Boone, Hamilton and

Hendricks Counties

**Community Action of Northeast Indiana** 

227 E. Washington Blvd. / PO Box 10570 Fort Wavne, IN 46853

Phone: (260) 423-3546 Fax: (260) 422-4041 Serves: LaGrange, Steuben, Noble, DeKalb,

Allen and Whitley Counties

#### **Community Action of Southern Indiana**

1613 E. 8th Street Jeffersonville, IN 47130

Phone: (812) 288-6451 Fax: (812) 284-8314 Serves: Harrison, Floyd and Clark Counties

### **Community Action Program of Evansville**

27 Pasco Avenue Evansville, IN 47713

Phone: (812) 425-4241 Fax: (812) 425-4255 Serves: Gibson. Posev and Vanderburgh Counties

### **Community Action Program of Western Indiana**

Covington, IN 47932 Phone: (765) 793-4881 Fax: (765) 793-4884 Serves: Benton, Warren, Fountain, Parke, Vermillion and Montgomery Counties

418 Washington Street / PO Box 188

#### Community and Family Services, Inc.

521 S. Wayne Street / PO Box 1087 Portland. IN 47371

Phone: (260) 726-9318 Fax: (260) 726-9174

Serves: Wells, Adams, Jay, Blackford, Randolph and Huntington Counties

### **Dubois-Pike-Warrick Economic**

Opportunity Committee d/b/a TRI-CAP 607 Third Avenue / PO Box 729

Jasper, IN 47547

Phone: (812) 482-2233 Fax: (812) 482-1071 Serves: Pike. Dubois and Warrick Counties

### **Hoosier Uplands Economic Development Corp.**

521 W. Main Street Mitchell, IN 47446

Phone: (812) 849-4457 Fax: (812) 849-4467 Serves: Lawrence, Martin, Orange and

# Washington Counties Human Services, Inc.

4355 E. 600 North / P.O. Box 119

Clifford, IN 47226

Phone: (812) 372-8407 Fax: (812) 378-7490 Serves: Shelby, Johnson, Decatur, Bartholomew and Jackson Counties

### Interlocal Community Action Program

615 S.R. 38 West / PO Box 449

New Castle, IN 47362

Phone: (765) 529-4403 Fax: (765) 593-2510 Serves: Henry, Hancock, Delaware and

**Rush Counties** 

#### **JobSource**

222 E. 10th Street, Suite C / PO Box 149 Anderson, IN 46015

Phone: (765) 641-6504 Fax: (765) 641-6548 Serves: Madison and Grant Counties

#### John H. Boner Community Center

2236 E. 10th Street Indianapolis, IN 46201

Phone: (317) 633-8210 Fax: (317) 633-3006 Serves: Marion County (EAP Only)

#### **Lincoln Hills Development Corporation**

PO Box 336 / 302 Main Street

Tell City, IN 47586

Phone: (812) 547-3435 Fax: (812) 547-3466 Serves: Spencer, Perry and Crawford Counties

#### **North Central Community Action Agencies**

301 E. 8th Street Michigan City, IN 46360

Phone: (219) 872-0351 Fax: (219) 872-0174 Serves: Laporte, Starke and Pulaski Counties

#### **Northwest Indiana Community Action Corp.**

5240 Fountain Drive Crown Point, IN 46307

Phone: (219) 794-1829 Fax: (219) 794-1860 Serves: Lake, Porter, Newton and Jasper Counties

#### Ohio Valley Opportunities, Inc.

425 Walnut Street Madison, IN 47250

Phone: (812) 265-5882 Fax: (812) 782-2882 Serves: Jennings, Scott and Jefferson Counties

### PACE Community Action Agency, Inc.

PO Box 687 / 525 N. 4th Street

Vincennes, IN 47591

Phone: (812) 882-7927 Fax: (812) 882-7982 Serves: Sullivan, Greene, Knox and

Daviess Counties

#### People Working Cooperatively

1528 NW 5th Street Richmond, IN 47374 Phone: (765) 935-3200

Serves: Wayne, Fayette, and Union

(Weatherization only)

#### Real Services, Inc.

1151 S. Michigan St / PO Box 1835

South Bend, IN 46634

Phone: (574) 233-8205 Fax: (574) 284-2642 Serves: St. Joseph, Marshall, Elkhart, Fulton and Kosciusko Counties

#### South Central Community Action Program

1500 W. 15th Street Bloomington, IN 47404

Phone: (812) 339-3447 Fax: (812) 334-8366

Serves: Morgan, Owen, Brown and

Monroe Counties

#### Southeastern Indiana Economic Opportunity Corp.

110 Importing Street / PO Box 240

Aurora, IN 47001

Phone: (812) 926-1585 Fax: (812) 926-4475

Serves: Ripley, Dearborn, Ohio and

Switzerland Counties

### Western Indiana Community Action Agency, Inc.

705 S. 5th Street / PO Box 1018

Terre Haute, IN 47807

Phone: (812) 232-1264 Fax: (812) 232-9634 Serves: Clay, Putnam and Vigo Counties

#### CONTACT INFORMATION

If you need weatherization assistance or energy assistance please contact the organization that serves your county. If you have additional questions please call the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority at 800-872-0371.



Indiana Housing & Community Development Authority

www.ihcda.in.gov



Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann

The State of Indiana offers multiple resources and educational programs to encourage Hoosiers to become more energy efficient. The Pence-Ellspermann Administration is committed to educating the public about responsible energy decisions.